

DROMAHAIR – KILLARGUE - NEWTOWNMANOR

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8th December 2024 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception (2nd Sunday of Advent)

Collection Envelopes for 2025

The Dues/Offertory/Special Collection Envelope boxes for 2025 are available for collection after Mass in all three churches from this weekend. Please collect your own box & your neighbour's. On behalf of the Finance Committee & Fr Paul, a sincere **THANK YOU** to everyone for your continued support to the parish & to your priest. Some boxes will have new numbers.

Income & Expenditure Accounts for 2023 are now posted on church notice boards.

St. Peregrine: Fr Paul will celebrate the St Peregrine Mass for the sick, in St. Brigid's Church, Killargue, on the second Tuesday of each month, at 8.00pm. The Mass will be preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. The next Mass will be on Tuesday next – 10th December at 8.00pm. St. Peregrine is the patron saint of cancer patients. Blessing with St Peregrine oil will be available.

Date for your Diary - Christmas Ecumenical Carol Service: In St. Patrick's Church, Dromahair, on Sunday next - 15th December at 7.00pm. Everyone is invited to join in this festive celebration. Refreshments afterwards in 'The Depot'.

Saint Vincent de Paul

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society ask for your generosity to their Annual Church Gate Collection to help those in need. The local conference will take up this Collection after Mass on this Saturday the 7th & Sunday 8th December. Anyone wishing to contact Saint Vincent de Paul may do so by ringing our confidential number - 085 7764431, or by leaving a message in the SVP safe in Drumkeerin Church Porch. We are leaving SVP envelopes at the back of the Church which may be used for donations to the SVP Collection next Saturday or Sunday, dropped into the SVP safe in Drumkeerin Church Porch or left in Drumkeerin Post Office. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

Bishop Martin's Financial Appeal to Parishioners

Copies of Bishop Martin's letter to parishioners are available at the back of each church. The key message is an appeal for an increase in the Offertory Collection, to meet increased expenses in parishes and to contribute to the administration of the diocese. The invitation is for an offering of €1 per day of the week, to a total of €7 per week. The current guideline rate of €3.50 per head per week, has not changed in over 20 years.

Leckaun National School - are holding a Christmas Carol Service in Newtownmanor Church on Wednesday 18th December at 7pm. The pupils and teachers in Leckaun NS are busy practicing their Christmas carols for this special evening. There will be a 'Contribution Bucket' at the door of the Church. Refreshments afterwards in Newtownmanor Hall. We wish to invite the community to join us on this special evening.

Dromahair Development Association/Tidy Towns - in association with Dromahair Healthy Club are hosting Dromahair Memorial Christmas Tree & switching on the Christmas lights in the village on Sunday 8th December at 6.30pm at 'The Depot'. Mulled wine, mince pies for everyone and a little bit of Carol singing.

Killargue Community Development – Live Nativity: Sunday 22nd December at 6.30pm, in Killargue Community Centre. Carol Singing. Mulled wine. Mince pies for everyone. Treats for the children. Bumper raffle on the night. Everyone welcome.

'You cannot go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending'.

Recently Deceased: **Tess Walpole (nee Hamilton)**, Corrasra, Killargue, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Brigid's Church, Killargue, on Wednesday 4th December. **Mary Keegan (nee Darcy)**, Greagnafarna, & Moneyduff, whose Funeral Mass was celebrated, in St. Mary's Church, Killenummery, on Saturday 7th December.

May they Rest in Peace. Amen.

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, DROMAHAIR:

1. **Mass: No Mass on Monday's;** Wed at 9.30am; Friday at 8pm; Sunday at 11.15am.
2. **Pray for:**
James & Sarah Clancy, their son **Aidan**, and sons-in-law **Tom Conlon & Michael Joe Hamilton and Deceased Family Members**. Mass on Sunday 8th December at 11.15am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Wednesday 11th December at 9.30am.
Patrick Feehily, Cornalaughta. Mass on Friday 13th December at 8.00pm.
Francis Downey, Main Street. **Annie & Michael Burns**, Mullagh. Mass on Sun 15th Dec at 11.15am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for December:** Readers – Helen/Anna Sweeney; Collectors – Patrick McGoldrick & Mark Meehan; Altar Society – **Volunteers needed. Please contact Fr Paul or Brendan.**

CHURCH OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEWTOWNMANOR:

1. **Mass: Thursday at 8pm (Adoration from 7.15pm to 8pm);** Sunday at 10.00am.
2. **Pray for:**
John & Bridget McTiernan, Bridie Denny and Dympna Quigley. Mass on Sun 8th Dec at 10am.
Available for Intention. Mass on Thursday 12th December at 8.00pm (**Adoration 7.15pm to 8.00pm**).
Jim Dolan, Corraghaun & Dublin. **1st Anniversary** Mass on Sunday 15th December at 10.00am.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for December:** Readers – Teresa & Sarah Rooney and Deirdre McGourty; Collectors – John Logue and Volunteers; Altar Society – Margaret Feehily.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, KILLARGUE:

1. **Mass: Tuesday at 8.00pm (Adoration 7.00pm to 8.00pm);** Saturday (Vigil) at 8.00pm.
2. **Pray for:**
Gerry & Baby Tara McLoughlin, Boggaun. Mass on Saturday 7th December at 8.00pm.
Marie Cannon, St. Annes Tce., Sligo. **Mass (& St. Peregrine Prayers for the Sick)**, on Tuesday 10th December at 8.00pm (**Adoration 7.00pm to 8.00pm**).
Patrick & Alice Fitzpatrick, Boggaun. **Owen & Katie McBarron**, Kinawley, and their **Deceased Children – Sean, Sr. Kate, Josephine & Philomena**. Mass on Saturday 14th December at 8.00pm.
May they all be blessed with the gift of Eternal Life with God in Heaven. Amen.
3. **Liturgy for December:** Reader – Ryan Casey & Pauric Cullen; Collectors – Jimmy Harkin & Joe Walpole; Altar Society – Patricia Harkin & Carmel Loughlin.

A Gentle Reminder: As we are now in the month of **December**, could I ask that the **Dues & Offertory Collections for 2024** are brought up to date before the end of the year. Parishioners will receive a statement of their 2024 payments to the parish, in the new year. **However, only amounts received in the calendar year of 2024, will be included in this statement.**

Cheques for the Dues and November Offerings to be made payable to:

'Dromahair Killargue Priests Revenue Account' (IBAN: IE87 AIBK 9371 3400 8220 74).

Cheques for all other collections to be made payable to your local Church:

'Dromahair Church' (IBAN: IE07 AIBK 9371 3405 6971 82) or

'Killargue Church' (IBAN: IE13 AIBK 9371 3413 9200 55) or

'Manor Church' (IBAN: IE06 BOFI 9054 0811 4080 87).

Payments by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to the Bank Accounts/IBAN's outlined above are welcome. Please add your name for reference on our bank statements

Sincere thanks to all who have kept their parish contributions up to date in difficult times. **Fr Paul.**

Killargue Calendar - 2025: On sale on Saturday evening next - 14th December, after 8.00pm Mass, in Killargue Church. Copies are also available from any member of the Development Association. Price €10.

'Remember that Nothing can dim the light that shines, from within!'